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**Cc:** Dermer, Michele[Dermer.Michele@epa.gov]; Jollie, Jeff[Jollie.Jeff@epa.gov]; Tiago, Joseph[Tiago.Joseph@epa.gov]; Green, Holly[Green.Holly@epa.gov]  
**From:** Albright, David  
**Sent:** Thur 1/28/2016 3:23:46 PM  
**Subject:** RE: question from website on AEs

Thanks Jill. We will respond to the question.  
David

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**From:** Dean, Jill  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 28, 2016 7:19 AM  
**To:** Albright, David <Albright.David@epa.gov>  
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**Subject:** question from website on AEs

Hi David,

Holly suggested we forward a question that Jeff received through the EPA website about aquifer exemptions to you. Would you like to take a stab at answering? The question is from a CA Dept of Conservation employee.

Thanks, Jill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jollie, Jeff  
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2016 8:36 AM  
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Subject: FW: Form submission from: Underground Injection Control (UIC) Contact Us About Underground Injection Control form

Joe, I'm forwarding to you this AE question that came in via the web from Simeon Okoroike. He appears to work for the California Department of Conservation.

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From: drupal\_admin@epa.gov [mailto:drupal\_admin@epa.gov]  
Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2016 9:45 PM  
To: Jollie, Jeff <Jollie.Jeff@epa.gov>  
Subject: Form submission from: Underground Injection Control (UIC) Contact Us About Underground Injection Control form

Submitted on 01/27/2016 9:45PM  
Submitted values are:

Name: Simeon Okoroike  
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Comments:

What is the timeline for the EPA review of an aquifer exemption application submitted by a state?

I will appreciate it if somebody could call me and/or explain the timeline.

I am not talking about the criteria, but rather, how long before EPA responds to a submitted application? Is there a statutory requirement or mandate that spells out response time. In California, for instance, there is a statutory requirement that an agency respond to a permit application within ten days.

Is there a similar requirement on a federal level especially with regards to aquifer exemption application?

Your response will be appreciated.

Thanks,

Simeon Okoroike.